

8 May 2017 Media Statement

Calendar bush dump costs man date in court

Twenty-five-year-old Nathan Robert Green was fined \$3000 in Joondalup Magistrates Court today, after illegally dumping trailer loads of promotional calendars and pamphlets in Jandabup bushland.

Mr Green admitted to Investigators from the Department of Environment Regulation's Illegal Dumping Program that he dumped the printed materials at the Warbrook Road site on four different occasions across September last year.

DER's covert cameras captured one of the incidents on 10 September, which showed Mr Green driving his white Toyota Hilux utility—loaded with bundles of printed material—to the site before leaving with an empty utility tray.

In addition to the fine, Magistrate Potter ordered to Mr Green to pay \$328 in costs.

DER Senior Manager Investigations Matt Warnock said the conviction was an example of how effective covert cameras were under the Illegal Dumping Program, which annually conducts around 200 illegal dumping investigations.

"This offender had been paid to deliver these calendars and instead drove to the bush and dumped them," he said.

"This was blatant illegal dumping by someone who showed no respect for the law or the environment.

"Illegal dumping is a serious offence and the Department will continue to take action against those with disregard for the law."

<u>Illegal dumping</u> can be reported to DER's 24-hour Pollution Watch Hotline on 1300 784 782 or <u>pollutionwatch@der.wa.gov.au</u>



Mr Green's vehicle was captured on DER's covert cameras entering and exiting the site where the dumped materials were found

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